

Training-cum-Scientists-Stakeholders Interaction Workshop on “Post-flood Management Practices for Enhancing Production, Productivity and Profitability of Flood-prone Lowlands” under IWMI-IBFI project organized at Lokapala village, Kanas block of Puri district in Odisha

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Dr. S. K. Jena, Programme Leader, Groundwater Management Programme, welcomed the chief guest and Director, ICAR-IIWM to share his thoughts. Dr. Sarangi emphasized the importance of innovative technologies to be adopted in flood-prone area, which is climate-resilient, technically feasible, socially replicable, environmentally sustainable and economically viable for the flood-prone ecologies for suitable crop production. Dr Sarangi also urged the scientists and farmers to view natural farming in holistic manner. Dr. S. K. Jena, PI of this project explained the importance of post-flood management planning in Lokapala. Dr. B. S. Satapathy, Co-PI suggested farmers to adopt crop diversification and crop intensification for higher water productivity and income in flood-prone lowland ecosystem. Seed kits were distributed to the progressive farmers by the chief guest. A field visit was organized by the dignitaries, where groundnut was grown along with linseed and discussed with the farmers. The training-cum-workshop ended with vote of thanks by Dr. S.K. Jena.

